

"(b) Except as provided in this section or section 4111 of title 5, an agency or employee may not accept payment for expenses referred to in subsection (a). An employee who accepts any payment in violation of the preceding sentence—

"(1) may be required, in addition to any penalty provided by law, to repay, for deposit in the general fund of the treasury, an amount equal to the amount of the payment so accepted; and

"(2) in the case of a repayment under paragraph (1) shall not be entitled to any payment from the Government for such expenses.

"(c) As used in this section—

"(1) the term 'executive branch' means any executive agency (as such term is defined in section 105 of title 5); and

"(2) the term 'employee in the executive branch' means—

"(A) an appointed officer or employee in the executive branch; and

"(B) an expert or consultant in the executive branch.

under section 3109 of title 5; and

"(3) the term 'payment' means a payment or reimbursement in cash or in kind.

"(d) The head of each agency of the executive branch shall, in the manner provided in paragraph (2), submit to the Director of the

Office of Government Ethics reports of payments of more than \$250

accepted under this section with respect to employees of the agency.

Public The Director shall make such reports available for public inspection

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"(2) The reports required by paragraph (1) shall, with respect to each payment—

"(A) specify the amount and method of payment, the name of the person making the payment, the name of the employee, the nature of the meeting or similar function, the time and place of travel, the nature of the expenses, and such other information as the Administrator of General Services may prescribe by regulation under subsection (a);

"(B) be submitted not later than May 31 of each year with respect to payments in the preceding period beginning on October 1 and ending on March 31; and

"(C) be submitted not later than November 30 of each year with respect to payments in the preceding period beginning on April 1 and ending on September 30."

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subchapter

III of chapter 13 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

"1352. Acceptance of travel and related expenses from non-Federal source."

SEC. 303. GIFTS TO FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter V of chapter 73 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"§ 7353. Gifts to Federal employees

"(a) Except as permitted by subsection (b), no Member of Congress or officer or employee of the executive, legislative, or judicial branches shall solicit or accept anything of value from a person—
"(1) seeking official action from, doing business with, or (in the case of executive branch officers and employees) conducting activities regulated by the individual's employing agency; or